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Mr. William G. Hyland
Director, Bureau of Intelligence and Research
Department of State
Washington, D. C. 20520

Dear Bill:

The NSCIC Working Group is being reconstituted as a user organization, as indicated in the attached letter and attachment which Brent Scowcroft dispatched for Dr. Kissinger on 10 October. Since I have been designated as the DCI representative, I will serve as the Working Group Chairman. (A copy of Mr. Colby's memorandum to NSCIC designating me also is attached).

Because it is intended that the Working Group itself be user-oriented, I consider it important that the Group be supported by an Intelligence Panel, which I also intend to chair.

This panel will enable key elements of the Intelligence Community to play a consultative role on problems to be considered by the Working Group, and will provide a channel by which the Community can be kept informed of Working Group actions and the nature of the topics to which NSCIC attention is being addressed. One function of the panel will be to propose matters on which NSCIC guidance is needed by the Community. Another function will be to review papers of direct intelligence import prepared within the Community for submission to the Working Group for review.

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I am planning that the panel will include representatives of DIA, CIA, NSA, INR/State and the NIO organization.

Once it is organized and functioning, I would expect the panel to meet more than once or twice a month.

In order to get underway, I am planning an initial panel meeting in my office at 1430 hours on Friday, 25 October, which will precede the first meeting of the new Working Group the following week.

I would appreciate it very much if you would consider serving on the panel or, alternatively, designate your Deputy to serve as the INR representative.

Sincerely,

Samuel V. Wilson
Lieutenant General, USA
Deputy to the DCI for the
Intelligence Community

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